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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT-ELECT REQUESTS TRAINING FOR SECURITY DETAIL

- 1. IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING AUGUST 11 TERRORIST ON SISTER OF PRESIDENT-ELECT, JOSE LOPEZ PORTILLO, INTERMEDIARIES CONTACTED DEA REGIONAL DIRECTOR (RD) REQUESTING TRAINING FOR LOPEZ PORTILLO'S SECURITY DETAIL. WE HAVE INSISTED UPON CONTACT WITH PERSON WE COULD BE SURE SPEKAING FOR PRESIDENT-ELECT BEFORE TAKING FURTHER ACTION.
- 2. THIS MORNING, AUGUST 14, RD ACCEPTED INVITATION TO LOPEZ PORTILLO'S HEADQUARTERS IN CULIACAN SUBURB. THERE HE MET WITH LTCOL MIGUEL ANGEL GODINES BRAVO, DEPUTY CHIEF OF THE PRESIDENTIALGENERAL STAFF, AND SUBSEQUENTLY, WITH LOPEZ PORTILLO HIMSELF. LATTER EXPRESSED SINCERE APPRECIATION FOR OUR SYMPATHETIC INTEREST IN HIS SECURITY PROBLEM AND HOPE WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO HELP.
- 3. PRESIDENT-ELECT REQUESTS:

A) TRAINING IN MEXICO CITY FOR 25 TO 30-MAN SECURITY DETAIL IN ALL PHASES PERSONAL SECURITY SERVICES; AND

B) FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE FOR RAPID PROCURMENT OF TEN DODGE MONARCH AUTOMOBILES IN HIGH-PERFORMANCE MODEL USED BY CALIFORNIA STATE HIGHWAY PATROL.

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4. ACTION: REQUEST DEPARTMENT SEEK SECRET SERVICE AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE TRAINING PROMPTLY.

COMMENT: IT IS PLAIN THAT PRESIDENT-ELECT WOULD AGREE TO PAY FOR TRAINING IF WE REQUIRE IT. HOWEVER, RECOMMEND WE PROVIDE SERVICE FREE OF CHARGE, IF AT ALL POSSIBLE, AS MEANS OF ENHANCING PSYCHOLOGICAL"POLITICAL IMPACT OF OUR COOPERATION. FOR SAME REASON, RECOMMEND WE RESPOND QUICKLY WITH SOME VIABLE ACTION. IF TRAINING TEAM CANNOT BE DISPATCHED IMMEDIATELY PERHAPS SOMEONECOULD BE SENT IMMEDIATELY TO SURVEY AND DISCUSS TRAINING NEEDS. END COMMENT.

5. ALSO REQUEST ADVICE ON:

A) SUITABILITY OF DODGE MONARCH HIGH PERFORMANCE MODEL FOR SECURITY WORK; AND
B) MOST EXPEDITIOUS MEANS OF OBTAINING DELIVERY OF TEN UNITS IN MODEL DESIRED.
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